

# BEXAR COUNTY NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS CELEBRATION MARCH 29 - APRIL 12, 2005 "HUSTICE ISN'T SERVED UNTIL CRIME VICTIMS ARE"

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## TUESDAY, MARCH 29<sup>TH</sup>

## PROCLAMATION OF NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK BY BEXAR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT

The public, crime victims and victim service organizations are invited to attend Commissioners Court meeting during which National Crime Victims' Rights Week will be proclaimed. The proclamation will be held in the Bexar County Courthouse, Commissioners Courtroom at 11:00 a.m.

#### MADD OPEN HOUSE

Mothers Against Drunk Driving, Greater Alamo Area will be hosting an open house from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at their new offices located at 800 Dolorsa, Suite 404 (parking is free). Please contact the MADD office at (210) 349-0200 x 4 if you will be attending or if you have any questions regarding MADD and their services.

## THURSDAY, MARCH 31ST

#### FOR THE SAKE OF OUR KIDS CELEBRITY DINNER

To help benefit programs that protect children through San Antonio Kids Exchange and Family Service Association's KidsShare the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Celebrity Dinner will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 111 E. Pecan beginning at 6:00 p.m. with a cash bar and dinner at 7:00 p.m. Costs are \$75 per person with \$50 discounted tickets for members of related non-profit organizations and law students or mental heath field graduate students. Please call FSA at 299-2400 for tickets.

## SATURDAY, APRIL 2ND

## BENEFIT FOR ALAMO CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER

Proceeds from the TCU San Antonio Alumni Association BBQ dinner will benefit ACAC in its fight against child abuse. The dinner will be held from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Cowboys Dance Hall Parking Lot, 3030 NE Loop 410. BBQ plates are \$6 per person. For ticket information, please call Patricia Jimenez at ACAC at 675-9000 x 332.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6<sup>TH</sup>

#### VICTIM CALL-IN HOTLINE

Victims may call **351-1363** KSAT-TV from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. for information concerning the criminal justice system and referrals for victim services.

## THURSDAY, APRIL 7TH

#### PROCLAMATION OF NATIONAL CRIME VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK BY THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO

The public, crime victims and victim service organizations are invited to attend City Council meeting during which National Crime Victims' Rights Week will be proclaimed. The Proclamation will be held in City Hall at 1:00 p.m.

#### BLESSING OF VICTIM MEMORIAL WREATHS

The public, crime victims and victim service organizations are invited to attend a special service dedicated to victims of crime and to bless the wreaths presented in their honor. The ceremony will be held at San Fernando Cathedral at 1:00 p.m., located at 115 W. Main Plaza.

#### VICTIM AWARENESS MARCH

Following the blessing of the wreaths the group will march from San Fernando Cathedral to the flagpole located at the southside entrance of the Cadena-Reeves Justice Center, 300 Dolorosa.

## WREATH LAYING CEREMONY & LIGHTING OF VICTIMS' FLAME

At 2:00 p.m. various city and county organizations that provide services to victims of crime will lay memorial wreaths at the flagpole located at the southside entrance of the Cadena-Reeves Justice Center, 300 Dolorosa. A candle will be lit followed by a moment of silence to honor all victims of crime in Bexar County.

## FRIDAY, APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>

#### CHILDREN'S PICNIC

A picnic honoring victims of crime, particularly children, will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., in Milam Park. Everyone is invited to join the festivities, which will include balloons, clowns, face painting, the Spurs Coyote, McGruff the Crime Fighting Dog, Darren the DARE Lion, and others. Lunch will be served. Univision Radio AMOR 95.1 will be broadcasting live.

#### ALAMO CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER - PROJECT TEACH<sup>TM</sup>

ACAC presents the following brown bag lunch training opportunities from 12:00 noon – 2:00 p.m. at ACAC as part of their Project TEACH<sup>TM</sup> (Training & Education on Abuse and Childhood Healing) series. Dates and topics are as follows: Child Physical Abuse – April 8<sup>th</sup>; Child Emotional Abuse – April 15<sup>th</sup>; Child Sexual Abuse – April 21<sup>st</sup>; The CPS Investigation – April 29<sup>th</sup> (time is 2:00 pm -3:30 pm). For more information call Patricia Kittle at 675-9000 x 323.

#### PROTECTIVE ORDER SEMINAR

M.E.N. (Men Engaging in Non-violence) a group focusing on providing men a chance to help end violence, will sponsor a free protective order seminar for attorneys, victim advocates, social workers, counselors and victims of domestic violence. The workshop will be held from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the Central Jury Room of the Cadena-Reeves Justice Center, 300 Dolorosa. Attorney CLE application is pending.

## TUESDAY, APRIL 12TH

#### "The Intent of the Heart" Open House and Dedication

The Rape Crisis Center for Children & Adults invites you to attend an open house and dedication of their new offices located at 7500 US Highway 90 W, Bldg. 2, Suite 201 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon. First Lady of Texas, Anita Perry will speak.

For questions or more information about these events or National Crime Victims' Rights Week, please contact Cyndi Jahn, Victim Services Coordinator for the Bexar County District Attorney's Office at (210) 335-2733.